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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

DETAILED ACTION

This is in reference to response received 10 January 2005 to the office action mailed 15 December 2005. Claims 1 – 74 are pending for examination.

In the arguments received 29 September 2005, applicant argues instant invention relates to "an association between said plurality of components and a document to be generated" and the cited reference relates to converting of a preprinted form to an electronic document to automate real estate transactions with electronic forms by simply filling-in, storing, retrieving, and printing real estate transaction forms". To further the prosecution of this application please provide the information on how boiler plate templates and merge feature of word processing tool differs from applicant's invention.

In claim 15 and associated claim 52, applicant claims limitation of "obtaining at least one compensation component from a document template". In Fig. 2, applicant shows to obtain document modeling information from user and then generate compensation plan based on modeling information followed by creating at least one compensation component. To expedite the prosecution of this application please identify in where in the disclosure is the support for obtaining at least one compensation component from a document template prior to obtaining document modeling information from user and then generate compensation plan based on modeling information followed by creating at least one compensation component.

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In the amended claims 29 and 66, applicant has added additional limitation of including respective rules with the compensation component and the textual component. Applicant is requested to clarify whether claims 1 – 28 and 35 – 65 also have rules associated with the templates. If the rules are not associated with those claims, then please clarify why prosecution of claims 29 – 34 and 6 – 72 will not burden the examiner for prosecuting claims 1 – 28 and 35 – 65.

In the disclosure filed 15 March 2005, on page 5 applicant recites “Although the ContractMaker™ is a good tool for treating contracts, it does not provided users with a flexible way to build a framework for generating various types of document. Moreover, the system requires that the user build the document in sequence by traversing the logic tree associated with a particular contract document. Applicant is requested to provide additional information on the capabilities and limitation of ContractMaker™ which will help to further the prosecution of the instant application, and also, is ContractMaker™ the product of the applicant or from a third party. If applicant does not have the information available, applicant may make a statement stating the same.

Applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Naresh Vig whose telephone number is (571) 272-6810. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7:30 - 6:00 (Wednesday off).

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Weiss can be reached on (571) 272-6812. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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